REMARKS

Claims 1-25 are now pending in the application. Claims 1-25 have been rejected. Claims 1, 7, 11, 16, and 21-25 have been amended herein. New claims 26-35 have been added herein. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the present amendments and the following remarks. The above amendments and the following remarks are believed to be fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action and to render all claims at issue patentably distinct over the references cited.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 1, 7, 16, and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. This rejection is respectfully traversed. Notwithstanding, in Claims 1, 7, 16 and 21, the noted term "deck lid" has been replaced. This is simply a grammatical change and in no way should limit any equivalents to the noted claimed element. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the instant rejection be withdrawn.

In Claim 7, the noted term "first roof panel" has been revised. This is simply a grammatical change and in no way should limit any equivalents to the noted claimed element. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the instant rejection be withdrawn. In Claim 16, the term "the deck lid cover" has been revised. This is simply a grammatical change and in no way should limit any equivalents to the noted claimed element. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the instant rejection be withdrawn.

In Claim 21, the noted term "extending over three different planes" has been revised. This is simply a grammatical change and in no way should limit any

equivalents to the noted claimed element. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the instant rejection be withdrawn.

In Claim 23, the term "so that" has been replaced with the term "to". This is simply a grammatical change and in no way should limit any equivalents to the noted claimed element. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the instant rejection be withdrawn.

All claim amendments not specifically discussed herein have been made to either broaden the claim or to improve grammar and not to overcome any cited references. Therefore, all of these claim amendments should be entitled to their entire range of equivalents.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the

Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

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